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RESPONSE AND ELECTION

In response to the Office Action dated January 5, 2005, Applicant hereby makes the provisional election, with traverse, to claims 1-20 in Group I, drawn to a roll classified in class 492, subclass 46.

Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction and election requirement for the following reasons:

- I) The product as claimed cannot be used in the materially different process; and
- An examination of the product in class 492, subclass 46, will probably not require ii) a search of class 72, subclass 362, to which the examiner asserts the method claims are classified.

Applicant's remarks and argument begin on the next page of this paper.